# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL	8	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	§	
INJURY LITIGATION	§	MDL No. 2323
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	§	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	§	
	8	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	§	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
Form Complaint and	8	CONCUSSION INJURY
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NO. 4:12-cv-02302	§	
USDC, EDPA. 2:12-cv-04741	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

#### **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), Simeon Rice and, if applicable,

  Plaintiff's Spouse) \_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

[Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity

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	By the	Court of	(Cross out
Sentence be	low if not applicable.	) Copies of the Letters of	of Administration/Letters
Testamentary	y for a wrongful death	claim are annexed hereto if	such Letters are required
for the com	mencement of such a c	claim by the Probate, Surro	gate or other appropriate
court of the j	urisdiction of the deced	ent.	
5.	Plaintiff, Sime	on Rice is a	resident and citizen of
Phoen	nix, Arizona	and claims damage	es as set forth below.
6.	[Fill in if applicable]	Plaintiff's spouse,	, is a
resident and	citizen of	and claims damag	es as a result of loss of
consortium p	proximately caused by the	he harm suffered by her Plai	ntiff husband/decedent.
7.	On information and l	belief, the Plaintiff (or decea	dent) sustained repetitive,
traumatic su	b-concussive and/or c	oncussive head impacts du	iring NFL games and/or
practices. (	On information and b	elief, Plaintiff suffers (or	decedent suffered) from
symptoms o	f brain injury caused	by the repetitive, traumati	c sub-concussive and/or

8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. If the case is

concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or

practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from

injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.

remanded, it should be remanded to the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston Division</u>.

9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:		
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;		
	Injury to the Person Represented;		
	Wrongful Death;		
	Survivorship Action;		
	✓ Economic Loss;		
	Loss of Services;		
	Loss of Consortium.		
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,		
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a		
loss of consor	tium, including the following injuries:		
	loss of marital services;		
	loss of companionship, affection or society;		
	loss of support; and		
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to		
expend for the	e heath care and personal care of her husband.		
11.	[Check if applicable] $\checkmark$ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)		
reserve(s) the	right to object to federal jurisdiction.		

#### **DEFENDANTS**

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; \_\_manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable) ✓ the National Football League("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] \_\_the American Football League ("AFL") during

1996 to 2007	for the following teams: Arizona Cardinals, Tampa			
Bay Buccane	ers, Denver Broncos, and Indianapolis Colts			
CAUSES OF ACTION				
16.	Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master			
Administrativ	ve Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by			
Reference in	those Counts [check all that apply]:			
	✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL);			
	✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]);			
	Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment [Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]);			
	Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);			
	_Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]);			
	Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell			
	Defendants]);			
	✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]);			
	✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the			
	Riddell Defendants]);			

\_\_ Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the

	Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against
	the NFL Defendants]).
17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or
attach]: _	

### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

Wherefore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and

G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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